IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION (YOUNGSTOWN)

DELBERT REEDER, etc.,) CASE NO. 4:03 CV 1911
Plaintiff,)) JUDGE ECONOMUS) MAGISTRATE JUDGE LIMBERT
V.)
CENTOCOR, INC.,	MOTION TO EXCUSE THE PRESENCEOF CENTOCOR, INC. FROM
Defendant.) <u>ATTENDANCE AT FEBRUARY 17,</u>) <u>2004 STATUS CONFERENCE</u>

Defendant Centocor, Inc., by and through counsel and pursuant to Northern District of Ohio Loc. R. 16.3(b)(1), respectfully requests that the Court excuse its attendance at the February 17, 2004 Status Conference.

Centocor, Inc. ("Centocor") is a Pennsylvania corporation, with its principal place of business in Malvern, Pennsylvania. Since the October 7, 2003 Case Management Conference in this case, Centocor has not received Plaintiff's initial disclosures, or any other information or documents from Plaintiff beyond the allegations set forth in the Complaint. Accordingly, because Centocor, Inc. is an out-of-state defendant and still has limited factual knowledge of

Plaintiff's claims, it respectfully requests, for good cause shown, that it be excused from attending the February 17, 2004 Status Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 11, 2004, a copy of the foregoing **Motion to Excuse the Presence of Centocor, Inc. from Attendance at February 17, 2004 Status Conference** was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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